EIMS News September 8, 2005

Reports

Summer '05 Preliminary SOL scores are being loaded and are available for your review in the Preliminary SOL Reports (choose *Summer* from the drop down list).

Web-ex Preliminary SOL Results Reports Training

A shortened one-hour version of the reports training class has been developed to focus <u>exclusively on Preliminary Data reports</u> via Web-ex (web-based training from your own PC). Great for principals, guidance and other administrators. Following are the dates we would like offer for the training. Each day a 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. session will be available. **Sept. 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, and Sept. 27**

Please pre-register to: kris.herakovich@pearson.com.

[If you have attended Preliminary SOL reports training last month do not sign up for this session unless you want a refresher.]

Changes in EIMS (available September 12, 2005)

- Updates to Final Data Reports
 - Change Default on Subgroup Value
 - Description Change to Comparison of Achievement
 - Text Change to Pass-Rate workbook
 - Add Percent Failed to Pass-Rate by Subject-Test
 - Add Subgroups Filter and Modify Graph
 - Allowing Single School Selection
 - Selection from Zero to Three Subgroups on Proficiency Reports
 - Additional SRC information on the existing Student Resolution Workbook
- Updates to Preliminary Data Reports
 - Preliminary Rpt Date of Data Last updated date will be added to the reports
 - Change all references of Session to Administration
 - Accept/Load Summer 05 Prelim Assessment Files
- Preliminary Reports Procedure Guides
 - Better Data Definitions in Preliminary Reports

File Management

EIMS Data Load

Thanks to all of you who sent in their data and resolved the records on time. I know what a sacrifice that was during such as busy time, but all divisions will benefit from your diligence. The Transfer Report will be helpful for resolving students as you send files to EIMS for STIs in preparation for the Fall SRC submission.

Please note that there are files in your file management list that you did not put there; they are files that Pearson loaded for Preliminary SOL reports and record changes. You do not do anything with them.

Vendor Meeting

DOE held an SIS vendor-only meeting to give them information on what is coming up in SRC, EIMS, Discipline, Crime and Violence and SIF.

They expressed two recommendations:

- 1. Download patches and updates regularly
- 2. Run edit checks early

We are considering asking the vendors to create an EIMS-Only data extract for full data extracts and Needing STI Only data extract. In this way, you could submit data to EIMS without waiting for Pearson to be ready to accept files in regularly changing data layouts such as from EOY data layout and Fall data layout.

What are your thoughts? RSVP

Keep Contacts List Current

There are regular personnel changes that occur in your divisions. Please keep in mind that you need to keep the contact list for your division current (or delegate it to someone). The changes are made via SSWS.

Those list include EIMS Project Manager, SIF Contact, Student Record Collection, etc.

Current and reliable contacts in the divisions help keep you abreast of important information from the DOE.